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ESTIMATED PRICE PROVIDING APPARATUS, ESTIMATED PRICE PROVIDING SYSTEM, ESTIMATED PRICE PROVIDING METHOD, COMPUTER PROGRAM, AND

COMPUTER READABLE STORAGE MEDIUM

REQUEST ISSUANCE OF SUPPLEMENTAL OFFICE ACTION AND RESETTING OF RESPONSE DUE DATE

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Date

An Office Action was mailed on June 3, 2004. The Priority Documents filed on January 17, 2002 have not been acknowledged (copy of stamped postcard and Submission of Priority Documents is attached). In addition, an Information Disclosure Statement and Form PTO-1449 filed September 17, 2002 was not considered (copy of stamped postcard and IDS w/Form PTO-1449 is attached) prior to issuance of Office Action.

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner (1) acknowledge receipt of the priority documents, (2) consider the IDS filed and the three references and issue a Supplemental Office Action, and (3) reset the response due date since the IDS and three references were not considered.

Please contact the undersigned if there are any questions. If any fees are required in connection with the filing of this Request, please charge same to Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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